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Title:	PUNCTURE DEVICE		

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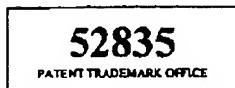
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed September 8, 2009, said period of response being extended from December 8, 2009 to March 8, 2010.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3478 in the amount of \$1,110.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,



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